

STAGE TWO

TYPE OF INSTITUTION
UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF H.E.

FACILITIES

Eg: Sports, Leisure,
Theatre
Do you have a particular
interest which is catered for
by the institution/location?

ACCOMMODATION

Are all first years offered
accommodation?
Is it expensive?

FLEXIBILITY OF COURSE

How easy is it to change
direction once on degree
course?
Do you study a broad range
of subjects in the first year?

SPONSORSHIP

If sponsored, sometimes
companies will expect you to
attend a particular institution.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Teachers, friends, relatives,
Careers Officers may be able
to recommend certain
courses.

- WARNING -

Remember what one person
likes, another may not!

**DROP OUT
RATE**
High or Low

EXAM PATTERN

How is course assessed?
Finals, coursework, continual
assessment?

• EXPECTED GRADES FOR DEGREE COURSES

THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENT
FOR ANY DEGREE COURSE IS 2
PASSES AT A2 LEVEL.

In most cases the expected grades
are considerably higher than this, but
there are wide variations between
institutions.

A typical "average" requirement is
BBB.

It is vital that you check the individual
requirements for each institution –
eg: requirements for English courses
may vary from three grade As at A2
Level to two grade Ds at A2 Level.

• COURSE CONTENT

Are there particular options or parts
of the course at an Institution that you
will especially enjoy?

SITE

Campus / non campus

LOCATION

Where in country?
Big city/small city?
Easy to get home?
Far away from home?

WHERE TO STUDY

• = KEY FACTORS